

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MEDICAL SOCIETY

By Egerton Crispin, M. D., Secretary

The sixty-ninth semi-annual meeting of the Southern California Medical Society will be held in Los Angeles on the second and third of November, under the presidency of Robert Pollock of San Diego.

Among the speakers for the coming meeting are Frank Porter Miller of Los Angeles, who will present his conclusions of a series of studies on the "Carbondioxide Combining Power of Blood Plasma in Pulmonary Tuberculosis." John Bacon, for many years chief surgeon of the Miami Inspiration Copper interests, will discuss "Industrial Surgery in the Southwest," presenting some new phases in the executive management of this growing problem. A. H. Galvin of the Johnston-Wickett Clinic, Anaheim, will present "Some Causes and Methods of Treatment of Backache." Maurice Kahn will present his observations and the "Technique of Surgical Relief for Enderteritis Obliterans." Holland G. Hambleton, who has had a large experience at Ancon Hospital handling infections of the bowel, will discuss "The Recognition and Methods of Treatment of Pathologic Types of Amebiasis." Edwin Chamberlain of San Diego has a paper on "The Importance of Early Diagnosis in Tumors of the Urinary Bladder." Charles L. Lowman will use lantern slides to demonstrate "The Rationale and Technique of Surgical Treatment of Flat Feet." Guy Cochran will discuss "Hypertrophic Pyloric Stenosis in Infants," and surgical procedures for its relief. Elmer Belt, who for some years has been doing experimental work on Renal Circulation, will use lantern slides to show "The Results of Some Experimental Work on Renal Circulation and Its Surgical Value as Applied to Nephrotomy." Nelson Janney will use lantern slides to show an interesting series of "Orthopedic Deformities in Endocrine Diseases." Hans Lisser of San Francisco, chief of the Endocrine Clinic of the University of California Medical School and assistant clinical professor of medicine, will give a lantern slide clinic of curious people with whom he has to deal, showing "Types of Ductless Gland Diseases." Bernard Smith and Howard West will present a series of "Studies in the Use of Insulin." Carl Rand will use lantern slides to demonstrate "Studies on Spinal Tumors," in which there has been surgical intervention. Herbert Evans, Professor of Anatomy at the University of California, will present, illustrated by lantern slides and charts, experimental work demonstrating "The Hormone of the Anterior Hypophysis."

In addition to the above speakers, there will be many others of prominence in the medical profession and an interesting Saturday evening address on the broader problems of medicine and the profession by one of the able and well known educators of California.

**San Francisco Journal Rebuked**—The following letter, written by Thomas W. Huntington, chief surgeon of the Western Pacific Railroad Company, will, it is felt, express the sentiment of our members: "San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 21, 1923.

"Andrew M. Lawrence, Esq., Editor The San Francisco Journal, San Francisco, California.

"Dear Mr. Lawrence—From a purely personal angle, permit me earnestly to protest the recent publication in your columns of an article from Pearson's Magazine. Without proof or warrant, said article unqualifiedly condemned the medical treatment of our late lamented President during his last illness, and viciously assailed the character and judgment of those to whom was assigned the grave responsibility of his care. This assault, lacking evidence or justification, was manifestly inspired by a desire to discredit and humiliate a body of men

whose repute in scientific medicine is above reproach.

"As a subscriber to The Journal from its inception, and voicing expressions from many high-minded men of my profession, this incident is a sad disappointment. After reasonable reflection we fail to understand the motive which prompted dissemination of matter which scientifically and ethically is without semblance of credibility. Medical men universally court helpful constructive criticism. Baseless misstatements we resent. Yours truly,

"T. W. Huntington.

"978 Mills Building, San Francisco, Cal."

### NEW MEMBERS

Oakland—S. S. Yamada, John R. Gray, Colin R. McKenzie, Hector D. McKenzie.

San Francisco—Robert C. Martin, Dwight E. Shepardson, Frederick P. Shafer, Edward M. Talbott.

Lassen—Plumas County—Clyde E. Watson.

### TRANSFERRED

Fletcher B. Taylor, from San Francisco county to Alameda county.

Christopher Leggo, from San Francisco county to Alameda county.

Richard F. Mogan, from San Francisco county to Los Angeles county.

A. E. Belt, from San Francisco county to Los Angeles county.

W. A. Perkins, from San Francisco county to Alameda county.

David Divanovich, from Fresno county to San Francisco county.

A. H. Moore, from San Francisco county to Los Angeles county.

### DEATHS

Doyle, Olline Burton. Died at Fresno, August 28, 1923, age 48. Graduate of the Kentucky School of Medicine, Louisville, 1898. Licensed in California in 1898. He was a member of the Fresno County Medical Society, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Gould, Elisha Tolman. Died at Sonora, September 9, 1923, age 67. Graduate of the Bowdoin Medical School, Portland, Maine, 1880. Licensed in California in 1882. He was a member of the Tuolumne County Medical Society, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Mackerras, Robert Hamilton. Died at Pasadena, August 17, 1923, age 45. Graduate of Queens University, Kingston, Canada, 1903. Licensed in California in 1905. He was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Magee, Allyn Claude. Died at Los Angeles, August 11, 1923, age 46. Graduate of the Physicians' and Surgeons' College of Los Angeles, taking a post-graduate course at Mayo Brothers. He was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.

Manger, Charles Christian. Died at Los Angeles, August 22, 1923, age 52. Graduate of the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia, 1906. Licensed in California in 1911. He was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Society, the California Medical Association and the American Medical Association.